

1 **ABSTRACT**

2 A data communication system is configured to communicatively link a host
3 device and a client device with a point-to-point data communication link, where
4 the point-to-point data communication link is configured with multipoint network
5 data communication components designed for data communication over a
6 distributed network. A data communication interface at the host device is
7 communicatively linked with a data communication interface driver via the point-
8 to-point data communication link between the host device and the client device.
9 The data communication interface driver communicates with a virtual driver
10 component for the client device via a virtual network at the client device.
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